

## MILITARY ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

ARRANGING FOR THE ANNUAL CARNIVAL AT THE GARDEN.

A POSSIBLE CONFLICT WITH THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMEN—THE TOURNAMENT AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN TO EXTEND FROM MARCH 11 TO IS INCLUSIVE.

The enthusiastic military athletes and citizen soldiers who are arranging for the coming military tournament are confident that the entertainment this year will easily eclipse any of its predecessors. The tournament will be held at the Madison Square Garden from March 11 to 18, inclusive, and the plans, as outlined at present, insure one of the most interesting and successful entertainments arranged for the Garden in the winter and early spring.

The members of the Military Athletic League are not courting trouble with other organizations, and they say that if any trouble arises it will not be of their making. The relations of the citizen soldiers are cordial with the officials of the Amateur Athletic Union, and to date they have been particularly friendly with the League of American Wheelmen. Many of the members of the Military League are enthusiastic supporters of the L. A. W., and there has never been any clash between the two associations.



COLONEL CHARLES J. SEITER.

It was learned yesterday, however, that the soldiers intend to make a racing one of the features of the tournament, as was the case last year. This season, however, the conditions in the cycling world have been materially changed, and unless some arrangement is made between the Racing Board of the L. A. W. and the Military League there is almost certain to be a clash. The L. A. W. has fined and suspended all the racing men who have been competing at the outdoor meetings at the Garden, and it has fined the Garden as well.

Those who have the welfare of each organization at heart think that an understanding will be reached between the two organizations before the tournament begins. Albert Mott, the chairman of the Racing Board of the L. A. W., has been informed of the exact conditions, and it is probable that the L. A. W. will do everything possible to avoid any further complications. Still, the members of the Military League say that they have not had anything to do with the troubles of the L. A. W. and the outlaws, and they cannot see where they can be brought into the matter anyway.

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encourage athletics among the citizen and the Regular soldiers.

It has been decided that \$7,500 of the profits from the tournament last season shall go to the Porter fund, but as a working balance is needed for the coming tournament, only \$5,000 will be turned over for that purpose at present. The soldier who was so severely injured at the last tournament is still confined in the hospital at Fort Hamilton. A committee has been appointed to see the soldier and to find out if he is receiving proper care and attention. The committee will hand over to the man the sum of \$1,000. Although in no sense responsible for the accident, the committee feels that it can afford to be generous in this case.

Another feature which promises to lend additional zest to the tournament will be that many of the soldiers and sailors who took a prominent part in the recent war with Spain will give drills and exhibitions at the show. There is almost certain to be a detachment of United States troops, a battery and one or more companies of infantry.

It is thought that the monument to General Porter will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000, and it is expected that the remainder of the sum will be cleared at the tournament.

Colonel Seiter, in discussing the tournament, says: "The League has done much to encourage athletics among our soldiers, and the benefits have been excellent. The result is that the National Guard today is in better physical condition than it has ever been before. We do not expect any trouble from kindred athletic organizations. We are an allied body with the League of American Wheelmen, and have always worked in perfect harmony. The Naval Reserve will aid us again, as it did last year."

The annual election of officers of the Military League will be held early in January. While nothing definite has been announced as yet, it is thought that Colonel C. H. Luscomb will be re-elected president of the organization, in spite of the fact that he is on the retired list of the 13th Regiment of Brooklyn. Mr. Luscomb was president of the League of American Wheelmen in 1895. It is expected that Colonels Seiter and

Luscomb will continue to take an active part in the management of the League. Major David Wilson, of the 24th Battery, the secretary, is popular, and he may be induced to accept the office again. It is said that several changes may be made among other officials.

RIGHT OF A MUSEUM TO SELL GIFTS.

FIELD COLUMBIAN MUSEUM IS SUE.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—A question as to the right of the Field Columbian Museum to sell articles given to it for purposes of exhibition is the legal issue involved in a case on hearing before Judge Chetlain and a jury in the Superior Court. The defendant, the Field Columbian Museum, maintains that it has the right to sell or otherwise dispose of any gifts which it has received for exhibition purposes, without making any return to the giver.

The case is that of Maw &amp; Co., of London, who in 1894 sent mosaics and cases, valued at \$15,000, to the museum as a gift for exhibition. The greater part of the exhibit, which could not be utilized on account of want of space, was stored, and the English firm informed that the goods were subject to their order, being safe but without insurance. Later a fire broke out in the warehouse and the exhibits were somewhat soiled. Finally the goods of Maw &amp; Co., together with some other property of the Field Museum, were sold at auction for about \$500. It is claimed that the price was ridiculously low.

The plaintiffs, Maw &amp; Co., aver that they gave the exhibit for educational purposes, and that the museum had no right to sell the goods. They ask the jury to award them \$15,000. In reply the museum people maintain that it is their right to exhibit articles given for that purpose, or to sell them, as they see fit.

STANDARD OIL BOOKS TO BE PRODUCED.

Cleveland, Dec. 21.—According to Attorney Tolles, one of the Standard Oil legal representatives, none of the books of the company, which are wanted for examination under the orders of the Supreme Court, have been destroyed. He says that only useless records or books have been burned.

"So far as I know," said Mr. Tolles today, "the books in question will be produced when the proper time comes."

Citing to the non-appearance of high Standard Oil officials whose testimony is wanted, so dispirited were taken before Notary Mason today, and it is probable that the hearing will not be resumed before the middle of next week.

BANKRUPTCY OF ROBERT ADAMS.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 21.—Robert Adams, formerly a manufacturer in Connecticut and New Jersey, a resident of this city, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. His liabilities being placed at over \$250,000. Over \$200,000 of the assets of Adams are assigned to Charles C. Slade, of New York, and the sum of \$50,000 was divided among the creditors. Now Mr. Adams wants to wind up his affairs.

A BUFFALO LAWYER'S FAILURE.

Buffalo, Dec. 21.—Daniel W. Allen, a lawyer of this city, has been adjudged bankrupt on his own application. The liabilities amount to over \$200,000. Of this amount \$100,000 is secured. The only assets given are 25 shares of stock in the Hamburg Railway Company, and as they have been pledged for their full value they can have no value in the bankruptcy proceedings.

THE MARLBORO LABOR TROUBLES.

Marlboro, Mass., Dec. 21.—It is the general opinion that an attempt will be made to start the shoe factories here on the free-shop basis on Monday, January 2. S. H. Howe, president of the S. H. Howe Shoe Company, which owns four factories, says that he will not insist upon his employees signing the individual agreement that has been published, but will accept a verbal agreement, the rate of wages named to stand for one year or more, if agreeable.

ANOTHER INDEMNITY OF PRESIDENT.

Milwaukee, Dec. 21.—Volcott Post, the largest Grand Army post in the State, has adopted resolutions endorsing the sentiments expressed by President McKinley on his recent trip South.

## WITH QUEENS AND ROOKS.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO OCCUPY THE CHESS FIELD.

INTEREST IN THE LONDON TOURNAMENT—LOCAL CHESSMEN JOIN FORCES—A GAME FROM AN ENGLISH MATCH.

This week, as in former years about Christmas-time, belongs to the students. Once more the champions of Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton will meet over the checkerboard, and once more the destiny of the handsome silver trophy

will be made the object of some hard-fought battles. Ever since Hymas, the champion of Columbia, became ineligible to play, Harvard has maintained its superiority over the other universities, principally owing to the sterling play of Southard, who seemed altogether too good for the other competitors, and as this man will again be a contestant, it is generally believed that Harvard will again win the trophy, the more so as its mate, Arensburg, is said to be a player of no mean order.

However, The Tribune has been told by a Columbia man that the latter University's representatives will put in all they know. Meyer made a fine impression at his debut last year, and those "In the know" say that he has greatly improved in strength in the last year. Falk, on the other hand, also a newcomer in college chess, has gained a lot of experience in the intercollegiate tournaments. Last year he won the first prize for having made the best individual score in the tournament played between the principal schools in this city.

Marshall, the Brooklyn champion, who had been engaged as coach for the Yale team, reports that he has found Cook and Webb to be highly promising players. Whether they will succeed in upsetting the calculations of the knowing ones in some particular or all games, he could not say. They will be "right in the center," however, and it would be a great mistake to take them lightly.

The Princeton men, Ely and Weston, are also new. They have a good college reputation, and that is about all that is known of them. Considering that all the students have shown improved form over since these contests began, seven years ago, it is fair to suppose that Princeton has marched along in line with the others, and although they may still be inferior to their colleagues from other universities, they are, at any rate, expected to put up a good fight.

To-morrow the players will contest the first round in the following order: Falk (Columbia) vs. Arensburg (Harvard), Cook (Yale) vs. Ely (Princeton), Meyer (Columbia) vs. Weston (Princeton) and Webb (Columbia) vs. Southard (Harvard).

Last week Showalter telegraphed from Georgetown, Ky., to Janowski that he could not possibly resume play in the match on the day first agreed upon, December 23, and asked the Parisian to grant him to Wednesday, January 4. Janowski at once declared his willingness to comply with the wishes of the Kentuckian, and so the match will be resumed on the latter day.

On Wednesday evening the Metropolitan Chess Club formally amalgamated with the chess section of the New-York Turn Verein in this city. After listening to speeches by the veteran, H. Bencke, O. Drescher, the last president of the now defunct club, and J. Fabel, the last secretary, and both old and new members of the Turn Verein, set down to a "Commemorative" in German fashion. Both Lipschitz and Steinitz have gone along with the Metropolitan and joined the new organization.

Marshall, the champion of the Brooklyn Chess Club, has made up his mind to enter the London international tournament. If not admitted to the great tournament he will play in the minor contest. As practice he will soon engage in a little friendly match with Major Hanham, of the Manhattan Chess Club.

The London tournament is already looked forward to by chess-players all over the world with considerable interest. It has been stated in London papers that Lasker will surely be a competitor, and with the champion in the ring additional excitement may be expected. By the way, the congress committee has already decided to publish a book containing all the games played in the tournament.

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